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Date: February 14, 2012

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**From: Dr. David Stephens, Superintendent
Nevada R-5 Schools**

Number of pages w/cover: 3

Comments:

Dr. Davis,

In response to your request, please find attached records/correspondence pertaining to the challenge and/or removal of materials in school libraries. According to our records, we have had one request since January 1, 2008.

Respectfully,

David Stephens



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Diann Marti, Principal
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Truman Tiger Cubs
Grades 3-4-5

September 29, 2009

Dear Mrs. Marti,

The review committee met in the conference room at Truman this morning regarding a book challenge. This committee recommends that the book In My Mothers House by Patricia Pollacco be retained in Truman's library. There is a restriction on this book per parent request. There will be a note written in the Follett System that informs us that a certain child may not check this book out because of a parent request.

The committee felt that this book would be a worthy book to have in the library as it has a validating theme of diverse backgrounds. Also, the book lets children know that there are other types of families in the world, not just the traditional family units.

Julie Scotten

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**PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR CONCERNS REGARDING DISTRICT
INSTRUCTIONAL/MEDIA/LIBRARY MATERIALS**
(Request for Reconsideration of Materials)

Author: Patricia Polacco
Format: Library Book
Title: In Our Mothers' House
Publisher (if known): _____
Request Initiated By: Kim Brandt
Telephone: 417-418-7777 Address: 2021 N. Main
City: Nevada Zip: 64772
E-mail Address: Chasyd1993@yahoo.com

1. Did you read or view the entire book or material? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If not, what parts did you read or view? Please be specific--cite page numbers.

2. What are your specific objections to the educational use of this material?
I believe the topic of homosexuality is better left to
the parents. I didn't find anything I would
consider educational for my 8 year old daughter in
this book. To me toleration could be taught using a
different subject base.

3. What would you like your library/school to do about this work?
☒ Do not assign/lend it to my child: Sydney Brandt
☒ Return it to the staff selection committee/department for re-evaluation.
☒ Other, please explain: If it must be made available, it
should be to much older children along with a note
to the parent.

Signature: Kimberlee Brandt Date: 9/21/09
